

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2099, DEPARTMENTS OF
VETERANS AFFAIRS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND INDE-
PENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

JULY 25, 1995.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. QUILLEN, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 201]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 201, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides an open rule for the consideration of H.R. 2099, the VA-HUD-Independent Agencies Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 1996. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives clauses 2 and 6 of rule 21, prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill and reappropriations, respectively, against provisions in the bill.

The rule provides that the amendment printed in part 1 of the report on the rule is considered as pending. The amendment is not subject to amendment but is debatable for 30 minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Appropriations Committee. The rule authorizes the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Record.

The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part 2 of the rule (summarized in the section below). Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER IN PART 2 OF THE RULE

1. Klug (WI)—Inserts a new section 211 in the bill, “Demonstration Project for Elimination of Take-One-Take-All Requirement,” to prevent low-income families from being forced to find new housing

by waiving section 8 “take one, take all” provision for the Sommerset Circle housing complex in Madison, Wisconsin.

2. Davis (VA)—Inserts a new section 519 in the bill, prohibiting the Administrator of EPA from any further hiring in the Agency’s Office of Research and Development and requiring the Administration to maintain the funding of all existing scientific and technical support contracts at not less than the current level. The amendment requires that not later than Jan. 1, 1996, the head of the Office of Research and Development of EPA shall submit to Congress a report on all staffing plans that include the use of Federal and contract employees.

PART 1

The amendment considered as pending under the rule is as follows:

On page 8, line 9, strike “\$16,713,521,000” and insert “\$16,777,474,000”.

On page 8, line 11, strike “\$771,000,000” and insert “\$789,000,000”.

On page 8, after line 21, and insert the following:

HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

For payment of health professional scholarship program grants, as authorized by law, to students who agree to a service obligation with the Department of Veterans Affairs at one of its medical facilities, \$10,386,000.

On page 20, line 25, strike “\$10,041,589,000” and insert “\$10,182,359,000”.

On page 21, lines 18 through 21, strike the proviso and on p. 22, line 4, after the colon insert the following new proviso:

“Provided further, That of the amounts earmarked under this head for modernization of existing public housing projects, \$15,000,000 shall be used for the Tenant Opportunity Program.”

On page 22, line 15, strike “\$1,000,000,000” and insert “\$1,440,770,000”.

On page 23, line 7, after “Housing Act:” insert the following new proviso:

“Provided further, That of the funds earmarked in this appropriations Act for special needs housing, the Secretary may waive any provision of section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 and section 811 of the National Affordable Housing Act (including the provisions governing the terms and conditions of project rental assistance) that the Secretary determines is not necessary to achieve the objectives of these programs, or that otherwise impedes the ability to develop, operate or administer projects assisted under these programs, and may make provision for alternative conditions or terms where appropriate.”

On page 24, line 1, strike “\$4,941,589,000” and insert “\$4,641,589,000”.

On page 28, line 3, strike “\$576,000,000” and insert “\$676,000,000”.

On page 30, line 15, strike “\$495,355,000” and insert “\$505,745,000”.

On page 32, line 7, strike “\$302,056,000” and insert “\$308,290,000”.

On page 32, line 14, after the last comma insert the following:

“That any amounts made available in any prior appropriation Act for the cost (as such term is defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974) of guaranteed loans that are obligations of the funds established under section 238 or 519 of the National Housing Act that have not been made available for obligation or that are deobligated shall be available to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in connection with the making of such guarantees and shall remain available until expended, notwithstanding the expiration of any period of availability otherwise applicable to such amounts: *Provided further*, That any amounts of negative subsidy resulting in fiscal year 1996 from the sales of assigned mortgage notes or insurance actions that exceed the amounts of negative subsidy determined to be generated during such fiscal year, based on the assumptions specified in the President’s Budget for such fiscal year, shall be available to the Secretary for the costs of any note sales or insurance actions, without regard to whether the source of the negative subsidy amount is a note sale or insurance action, and the last proviso of this paragraph shall not apply to such amounts so used in connections with insurance actions: *Provided further*,”

On page 33, after line 2, insert the following new paragraph:

“In addition, for the cost of guarantees for loans, as authorized by sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z-3 and 1735c), \$69,620,000: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.”

On page 33, line 16, strike “\$193,299,000” and insert “\$197,455,000”.

On page 34, strike line 12 and all that follows through line 16 on page 35, and redesignate the subsections accordingly.

On page 39, lines 3, 10, and 16–17, strike the words “and the cost of any utilities”.

On Page 48, after line 25, insert the following new sections:

SEC. 211. EXTENSION OF MULTIFAMILY HOUSING FINANCE PROGRAM.—(a) Section 542(b)(5) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1707 note) is amended by striking “on not more than 15,000 units over fiscal years 1993 and 1994” and inserting “on not more than 7,500 units during fiscal year 1996”.

(b) Section 542(c)(4) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1707 note) is amended by striking “on not to exceed 30,000 units over fiscal years 1993, 1994, and 1995” and inserting “on not more than 10,000 units during fiscal year 1996”.

SEC. 212. DOCUMENTATION OF MULTIFAMILY REFINANCINGS.—Notwithstanding the 16th paragraph under the item relating to “ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS” in title II of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1995 (Public Law 103–327; 108 Stat. 2316), the amendments to section 223(a)(7) of the National Housing Act made by the 15th paragraph of such Act shall be effective during fiscal years 1996 and thereafter.

On page 54, line 17, strike the word “four” and insert the word “five” in lieu thereof.

On page 63, line 13, strike all after the comma to the end of the line 16 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

“That except for grants made under sec. 1443(a) of the Public Health Service Act, appropriations for programs and projects pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act made available under this heading shall be available only upon enactment of legislation reauthorizing such Act, and appropriations for programs and projects pursuant to other Acts made available under this heading shall be available only upon enactment of legislation specifically authorizing such appropriations.”

On page 64, line 16, strike the number “\$320,000,000” and insert the number “\$235,500,000” in lieu thereof.

PART 2

1. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KLUG OF WISCONSIN OR A DESIGNEE

Page 48, after line 25, insert the following new section:

SEC. 211. DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FOR ELIMINATION OF TAKE-ONE-TAKE-ALL REQUIREMENT.

In order to demonstrate the effects of eliminating the requirement under section 8(t) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, notwithstanding any assistance provided under any program under section 8 of such Act for the multifamily housing project consisting of the dwelling units located at 2401–2479 Sommerset Circle, in Madison, Wisconsin, or on behalf of residents in such project, section 8(t) of such Act shall not apply with respect to such project.

2. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS OF VIRGINIA OR A DESIGNEE

Page 87, after line 25, insert the following new section:

SEC. 519. (a) CONTRACTOR CONVERSION.—The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall cease any further hiring in the Agency’s Office of Research and Development, and shall maintain the funding of all existing scientific and technical support contracts at not less than the current level.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than January 1, 1996, the head of the Office of Research and Development of the Environmental Protection Agency shall submit to the Congress a report on all staffing plans including the use of Federal and contract employees.